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- Response to Office Action dated December 6, 2004
- Request for Continued Examination

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<i>Filing Date</i>	September 29, 2000	
<i>First Named Inventor</i>	WASHIZUKA RECEIVED	
<i>Group Art Unit</i>	3624 CENTRAL FAX CENTER	
<i>Examiner Name</i>	J. Patel	APR 06 2005
<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	1035-283	

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- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 35 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
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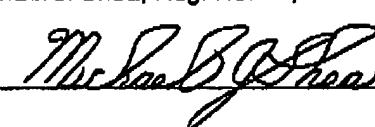
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